



Distributed Bioenergy Solutions

A MODEL CALLED COMMUNITY SUPPORTED BIOCYCLING

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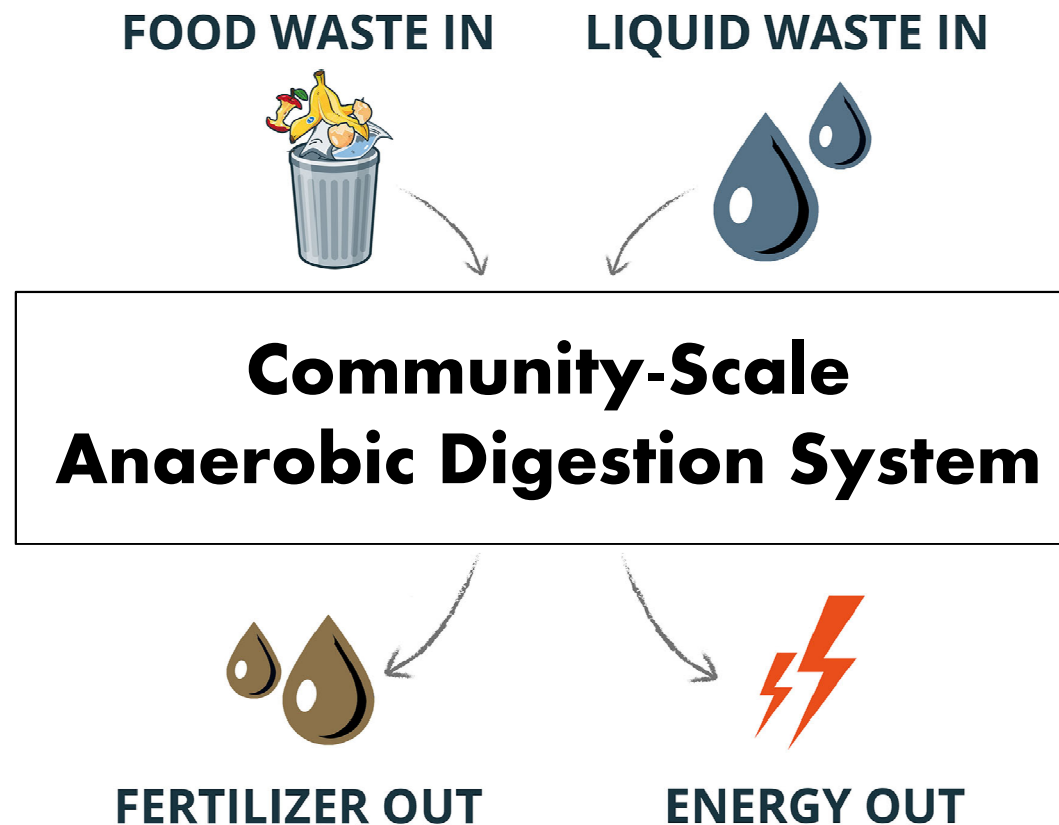
Summary

- Problem & Vision
- Community Scale Concept
- Benefits
- Economics

The Problem

- **Wasted Resource:** We pay to waste 40% of our food while 1 in 5 families lack a secure supply of food.
- **Landfilling:** 1.6MM tons of food waste is trucked to landfills each year in the Puget Sound region at a cost of \$218 million
- **Traffic:** 180 trucks per day to export waste from the region
- **Energy:** 80%+ grid energy is “lost in translation”
- **Jobs:** 4,370 jobs are being exported – that could be created with a distributed bioenergy economy
- **Soil:** 23 different pesticides have been measured in Puget Sound from petrochemical run-off

Vision: Food Waste to Energy + Fertilizer Resource



Vision: Landscape, Wood, OCC to Soil Resource

YARD WASTE + WOOD + OCC + DIGESTATE IN



**Community-Scale
Composting System**



COMPOST + MULCH + MANUFACTURED SOIL OUT



Vision: Brush, Wood, OCC to Biocarbon Resource

DRIED BRUSH + WOOD + OCC IN



**Community-Scale
Gasifier**



H₂ SYNGAS + HEAT + BIOCHAR OUT



Vision: Hyperlocal (< 2 mile radius)

- Hauling waste and recyclable organics is costly in dollars, fuel use, and carbon footprint. There are onsite solutions for
 - food waste, foodservice paper, landscape waste, and wood waste
- Capturing the embodied energy and carbon is possible with distributed bioenergy solutions for converting organic materials into
 - renewable energy, fertilizer, compost, soil products, and biocarbon
- Additional benefits include the capacity to
 - Build jobs and sustainability
 - Retain dollars locally
 - Support local food hubs and CSAs



Community Supported Biocycling

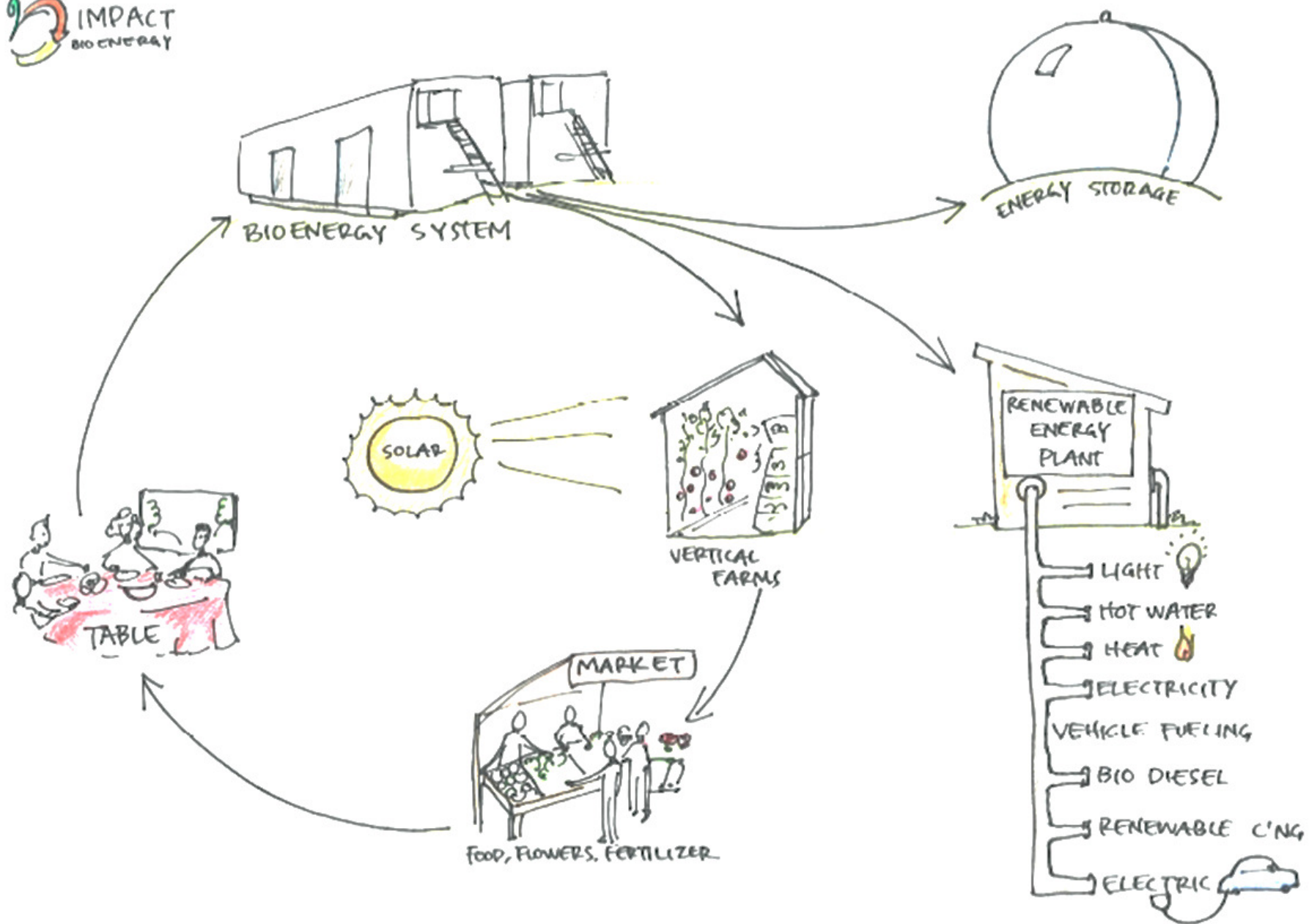
- Links communities, innovators, thought leaders on the ground
 - Working reference facilities for credibility and technology growth
 - Networking projects, facilities, and educational centers
 - Practicing the ethic of Biocycle Magazine, Renewable Energy, USCC, and Community Supported Agriculture
- Establish service-based solutions
 - Local food system improvement
 - Local ecosystem improvement
 - Furthering education and job creation
 - Decreased resource consumption



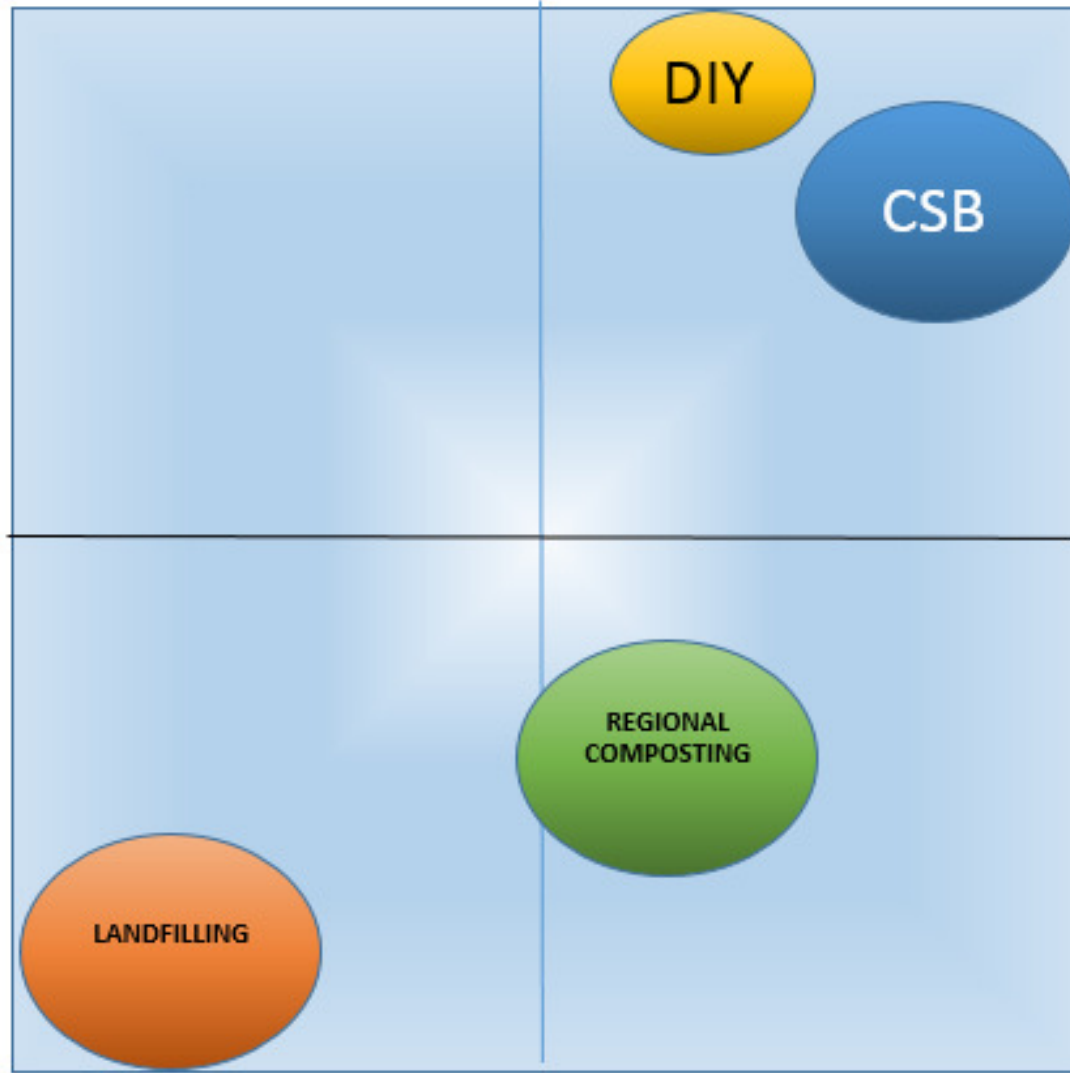
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Impact Opportunity

- A new forms of renewable energy
 - Independence from of fossil fuels
 - Complimentary to onsite solar and wind renewables
 - Creates heat, light, electricity, or vehicle fuel
- Organic matter & non-petroleum fertilizer
 - Probiotics for Soil & Plants™
 - Improves fertility naturally
 - Substitute for pesticides, herbicides, fungicides and other synthetics
- Local agriculture
 - Farm-to-Fork-to-Farm
- New jobs and local commerce
 - Strengthen local communities



LOW SOCIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMIC BENEFIT RATE



LOCAL

DIY

CSB

REGIONAL
COMPOSTING

LANDFILLING

REGIONAL

HIGH SOCIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMIC BENEFIT RATE

Scaling Anaerobic Digestion

- Customizable and scalable for each application
- Pre-fabricated and quick project development
- Modular and expandable
- No site work or site infrastructure needed
- Built with domestic components in North America
- Completely portable at 25 to 925 tons per year (135 – 5,000 lbs. per day)



Scaling Composting

- Go to the Exhibit Hall and see them!
- Numerous choices under 1,000 tons per year (5,500 lbs. per day)
 - Batch systems – ASP outdoor, semi-enclosed, enclosed
 - Agitated bays
 - Rotating drums
 - DIY systems



Scaling Gasification

- Wood 3/8" to 4" particles @ 15% M
- 900 tons per year input (470 lbs./hr)
- Electric and propane assist
- 1.8 MMBTU per hour heat output
- 19 lbs. per hour biochar output



53 lbs. per hour input

470 lbs. per hour input

Performance – 2015 AD Rollout

- Digester performance met expectations
- Engine generator met expectations
- Gas storage and safety systems met expectations
- Improvements in place
 - Feedstock preparation
 - Full enclosure
 - Seasonal storage



Economics – AD Only

Capital Investment

	quantity	units	unit cost	amount
Anaerobic Biomethane System with 4 kW gen	1	LS	\$ 58,600	\$ 58,600
Anaerobic Expansion system with 12 kW gen	1	LS	\$ 49,600	\$ 49,600
Gas Storage Expansion 100 m3	1	LS	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000
Digestate storage tank for forklift, 330 gal	5	LS	\$ 300	\$ 1,500
telescopic handler	-	LS	\$ 60,000	\$ -
shredding system 50 hp electric/75 hp diesel	-	LS	\$ 75,000	\$ -
composting system for HORSE	-	LS	\$ 75,000	\$ -
subtotal capital cost				\$ 141,700
offsetting grant, crowdfunding, private party participation			25%	\$ 35,425
adjusted gross CAPEX				\$ 106,275

Economics – AD Only

Income and Avoided Costs

avoided tip fees paid to AD	175	tons	\$	278.76	\$	48,784
tip fees for Composting	-	tons	\$	278.76	\$	-
carbon credits - avoided greenhouse gases	63	tonnes	\$	53.47	\$	3,371
value of fertilizer	37,770	gallons	\$	0.75	\$	28,327
value of heat	2,139	therms	\$	1.00	\$	2,139
value of electricity	62,622	kwhr	\$	0.090	\$	5,636
subtotal; value or revenue					\$	89,716

Expenses

labor	780	hours	\$	22.00	\$	17,160
transport of foodwaste (bike)	140	tons	\$	144.00	\$	20,160
transport of digestate (pickup truck)	30,216	gallons	\$	0.08	\$	2,417
power	13,200	kwhr	\$	0.090	\$	1,188
consumables and repairs	175	tons	\$	10.00	\$	1,750
subtotal expenses					\$	42,675

Project Financial Metrics

Annual Project Savings (Cost)	34%	\$	36,000
IRR (Internal Rate of Return over 10 years)	32%		
Simple payback period in years	3.0		

Economics – AD + Composting

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composting system for HORSE	1	LS	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000
subtotal capital cost				\$ 330,100
offsetting grant, crowdfunding, private party participation			25%	\$ 82,525
adjusted gross CAPEX				\$ 247,575

Economics – AD + Composting

Income and Avoided Costs

avoided tip fees paid to AD	175	tons	\$	278.76	\$	48,784
tip fees for Composting	100	tons	\$	278.76	\$	27,876
carbon credits - avoided greenhouse gases	65	tonnes	\$	53.47	\$	3,486
value of fertilizer	37,770	gallons	\$	0.75	\$	28,327
value of compost and soil products	95	CY	\$	30.00	\$	2,850
value of heat	2,139	therms	\$	1.00	\$	2,139
value of electricity	62,622	kwhr	\$	0.090	\$	5,636
subtotal; value or revenue					\$	120,558

Expenses

labor	1,300	hours	\$	22.00	\$	28,600
transport of foodwaste (bike)	140	tons	\$	144.00	\$	20,160
transport of digestate (pickup truck)	30,216	gallons	\$	0.08	\$	2,417
power	15,327	kwhr	\$	0.090	\$	1,379
consumables and repairs	275	tons	\$	10.00	\$	2,750
contract grinding	100	tons	\$	75.00	\$	7,500
contract screening	50	tons	\$	60.00	\$	3,000
subtotal expenses					\$	65,807

Project Financial Metrics

Annual Project Savings (Cost)	12%	\$	30,000
IRR (Internal Rate of Return over 10 years)	4%		
Simple payback period in years	8.3		

Crowdfunding Experience

- The project was designed to fund a specific Seattle project and to measure interest
 - 16,000 video views in 30 days
 - 68 countries read it
 - U.S., Canadian, and global backers
- The project reached its goal through 334 'backers' in 30 days
- Crowdfunding is not easy but it works

Thank You

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